



May 17, 2016

The Honorable Jim Inhofe
Chairman
Committee on Environment and Public
Works
U.S. Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Barbara Boxer
Ranking Member
Committee on Environment and Public
Works
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Re: The Water Resources Development Act of 2016 (S. 2848) - SUPPORT

Dear Chairman Inhofe and Ranking Member Boxer:

Thank you very much for moving the Water Resources Development Act of 2016 (S. 2848) out of the Committee on Environment and Public Works so quickly and on such a bipartisan basis. We look forward to Senate action in the near future.

While each of our organizations has a different structure and purpose, each of us is committed to protecting the San Francisco Bay and its watershed over the long term. Expanding the beneficial reuse of dredged materials is a key to that goal, as it provides vitally needed protection against flooding caused by sea level rise and storm surges that grow worse each year. S. 2848 is a great step forward for all of us, and we want to thank the Senate for including our suggestions in the legislation.

We look forward to working with you, your colleagues, and members of the House of Representatives to push such legislation forward.

Sincerely,

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